

## Transportation in the News – Student Assignment

<u>Grade Calculation:</u>	Presentation	–	50%
	Written Report	-	<u>50%</u>
	Total	-	100%

You will be divided into groups and assigned a project about transportation. Your team will research the transportation, create a news story, and present your information as if you are a news team reporting about the significance of the event/transportation. You will write your own summary of what you learned about the event and form of transportation.

Essay: You will write your own essay describing what you learned. Include a bibliography with at least 3 sources. You and your partners may have the same sources as long as you read the information also. Example:

Author, name of article or web title, publisher or web address (URL), and date if it is given. Example:

Frank E. Sadowski Jr., The Erie Canal, <http://www.eriecanal.org/>

Presentation:

3 minutes in length  
All team members participate

You may use music including rap  
You need to include the basic details in the presentation

You may do a skit, TV or radio news report  
You may do a graphic representation such as artwork

You may use clothing or props  
You may do a PowerPoint with maps, pictures of people, and scenes of the event

Information for your essay and presentation

Explain the event and/or transportation  
Tell why it was important  
Tell who was at the event  
Give the date of the event

Explain how it impacted people and the country – what was the significance?

Suggested news team:  
news anchor  
investigative reporter on the scene  
an eyewitness who observed the event  
a possible commercial

## Transportation Teacher Grade Sheet

Students on the team: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of event given: \_\_\_\_\_

Quality of Presentation: \_\_\_\_\_

Maps: \_\_\_\_\_

Historical Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Creativity: \_\_\_\_\_

Cooperativeness: \_\_\_\_\_

Geographic Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

PowerPoint: \_\_\_\_\_ or

Graphics: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Essay:**

Written Clearly: \_\_\_\_\_

Quality: \_\_\_\_\_

Content: \_\_\_\_\_